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## The Royal Cafe

Wishes Its Patrons and All Friends  
A Very Merry Christmas, and an  
Abundance of Prosperity for the  
Coming Year.

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L. M. LARSON, Proprietor.

## Season's Greetings!

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WE greet you in a Spirit of Good  
Cheer and Thankfulness . . . To  
You whose Goodwill has contrib-  
uted to our well-being, we say  
Thank You Most Heartily;  
May You enjoy  
A Merry Christmas, and a  
Happy, Prosperous New Year.

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**Sommerfield & Mayer,**  
Agents for Chevrolet Cars and Trucks.

## Housewives! Cooks!

Send me all the blue "fronts" of Royal Yeast  
Cake boxes that you can collect. I want to win  
that Popularity Contest and four-year Universi-  
ty course. Am a farm boy, age 20; have passed  
Grade 12. Fraser Carmichael, Stony Plain.

## The Christmas Story.

A small boy of about 7 years was taken one  
Christmas season to the toy department of a  
big London store and was at once fascinated by  
the largest rocking-horse he had ever seen.  
With great glee he climbed on its back, and  
nothing the father could say or do would get  
him off.

Assistants, buyers, and even the head of  
the whole store argued with him in vain. He  
wanted the rocking horse, and nothing could  
shift him.

At length, in desperation, they sent for a  
psycho-analyst. Much to the surprise of every-  
body, he walked up to the small boy, whispered  
something in his ear, and the child climbed  
down and went off with his father. The father  
was frankly amazed, and when they got home  
told his wife all about it.

"It only goes to show how clever these chaps  
are," he said, "and how they understand the  
child mind. Just fancy, my dear, no one else  
could move him. We might have been there  
yet."

Then turning to his son he asked: "By the  
way, son, what was it the gentleman said to  
you?"

"He just said 'If you don't get down at once  
I'll break your dam' neck,'" answered the boy  
with obvious relish.

## Hockey Notes.

The first Senior hockey  
game of the season was play-  
ed here Saturday night, when  
the Stony team clashed with  
the Onoway team, with the  
result that Onoway won by  
a score of 3 goals to 2 goals  
for Stony. Henry Trapp was  
referee.

The Midgets Hockey team  
at the Public school is now  
coming along in pretty good  
style, being out for practice  
four times a week. The team  
has had several inter-club  
contests, for their practice  
value, and expect to make a  
good showing when a Midget  
team from the City keep their  
appointment for a game here,  
in a short time. The hockey  
boys are now being coached  
by that well known hockey  
ace, who is at present home  
on furlough.

Mr. Henry Trapp, hockey  
ace, is out practicing with the  
Senior team again, after an  
absence of a season or two.

The posters are out for the  
dance of the season—the af-  
fair which the Senior Hockey  
Club has billed for on New  
Year's Eve, Dec. 31st, 1937.  
The committee in charge of  
the affair, Messrs W. E. H.  
Lewis, F. N. Miller and W. C.  
Miller, are confident this will  
be an affair going to be remem-  
bered. A first class orchestra  
from the City has been engaged.  
Plan to be present, to  
dance the old year out and  
the New Year in!

## Stony Plain and District.

Following the usual custom  
at this festive season, there  
will be no issue of The Sun  
for next week, Dec. 30th.

Business places in Stony  
Plain will be closed on Satur-  
day next, Christmas Day.  
Monday next being a public  
holiday, "Boxing Day," busi-  
ness places there will be closed  
on that day also.

The Fyfe family moved to  
Edmonton last week. The  
house on First avenue they  
had occupied has been purch-  
ased by Mrs. Peter Yost, who  
has moved in to it, with her  
family.

His friends here will be in-  
terested in knowing that Sergt.  
James Smith is now in charge  
of the RCMP detachment at  
Turner Valley.

English Lutheran services  
were held here Sunday even-  
ing by Pastor H. Kuring.

The local schools close to-  
day for the Christmas holi-  
days. Classes will resume on  
Monday, Jan. 3d.

Radio fans who have receiv-  
ing sets, but who have neg-  
lected to procure a current  
license, would be well advised  
to do this at once, as the Ra-  
dio Inspector for this district  
had two licence delinquents  
fined at a sitting of the local  
Court last Thursday.

Starting Saturday next, the  
25th, all the grain elevators at  
Spruce Grove, Stony Plain  
and Carvel will close at 12  
noon on Saturdays.

## A Merry Christmas

To You and Yours, from all connected  
with the Hardwick Establishment, and  
May Health and Happiness attend You  
throughout the coming year of 1938!

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## Hardwick's.

The Friendly Store, Stony Plain.

## C. Braund, The Jeweler.

Extends the wish that Christmas may  
bring You Joy, while the coming year  
will contain a full measure of prosperity

## Farmers' Meat Market.

To Our Friends both far and near  
We Wish  
A Very Merry Christmas, and  
A Happy New Year.

Otto Dreitz, :: Proprietor.

## Armbruster Lumber Co.

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The Season's Greetings are extended to all  
Our Friends and Customers, with the wish  
that Christmas may be Joyous and the  
New Year bring You Good Fortune.

John Armbruster, :: Proprietor.

## KELLY'S HALL, SAT., JAN. 1st.

Starting at Five o'Clock Sharp.

Two Features. 2½ Hours Show.

## "Caryl of the Mountains."

Rin Tin Tin Jr. F. X. Bushman Jr.  
and Lois Wild.

## TOM TYLER, in "Fast Bullets!"

A Cowboy Story.

with several added attractions.

Adults 30 cents. Children 12 and under, 15c.

## Don't experiment with Children's Colds

### Relieve Their Misery This Proved Way

WHEN your child comes down with a cold, you can't afford to take needless risks. Use the treatment that has been proved for you—Vicks VapoRub.

It has been proved by every doctor in more homes than any other medicine of its kind—farther proved by the largest clinical tests ever made on colds. (Full details in every VapoRub tin.) Only Vicks give you proof like this.



Vicks VapoRub is direct external treatment. There's no dosing—no risk of spoiling appetite, or disturbing a delicate digestion. VapoRub can be used freely, as often as needed, even on the youngest child.

You simply massage VapoRub on throat, chest, and back (as illustrated).

(rated). Then—to make its long-continued double action last even longer—spread a thick layer on the chest and cover with a warmed cloth.

No Long Waiting for Relief to begin... Almost before you finish rubbing, the youngster begins to feel warm and work direct through the skin like a poultice. At the same time its medicated vapors, released by the warmth of the body, are carried direct to the irritated air-passages with every breath.

This double action loosens phlegm—relieves irritation and coughing—helps break up local congestion. And long after the little one relaxes into restful sleep, VapoRub keeps right on working—hour after hour.

**VICKS VAPORUB**

Now WHITE—STAINLESS—

## Provincial Amalgamation

Since the Rowell Commission on Dominion-provincial relations opened its first Western Canadian public sittings in Winnipeg a great many ideas have been placed before the commission, all of them designed to cure, in greater or less degree, the economic ills from which the West is, and has been suffering for several years.

It goes without saying that some of the proposals will receive very serious consideration by members of the commission when preparing their report with recommendations for the Federal government and that others will be consigned to the waste paper basket with scant ceremony as being obviously impractical, or inadvisable on other counts.

Which of these fates is in store for a suggestion for a thorough investigation of the feasibility and advisability of amalgamating the three prairie provinces and one government, advanced at an early stage of the hearings by Premier Bracken of Manitoba, it would be difficult to predict, but it is a proposal which has received a great deal of publicity and comment, both at the time it was made and since, with a strong probability that the last has not been heard of the suggestion.

### An Economic Benefit

The request for an inquiry was made by the Manitoba premier largely on the premise that if such a step would be wise in the long run the Canadian people should know about it and that a pronouncement on the scheme by an impartial and competent body would carry great weight, and coupled with that was an expression of his own opinion that "in the long run it would be of very great advantage to Western Canada and Canada as a whole."

While admitting great practical difficulties would have to be overcome, Premier Bracken's opinion is based on the assumption that it would be an economic measure, stating that considerable governmental savings would be effected and that these savings would "increase with time."

Heretofore, quite correctly, by one western newspaper as a "hardy perennial," the question has at the present time aroused a more than normal public interest and this fact is due to a widespread popular opinion that something big, perhaps something spectacular has to be done to lift the West out of the slough of despond in which it has become mired as a result of the depression.

If it were not for the financial burden laid upon the West on account of conditions of the past few years it is doubtful whether the proposal would have created any greater ripple on the body politic than it has done when the suggestion was advanced on previous occasions.

### Not A New Idea

As a matter of fact the question is quite an old one. As far back as 1904 and 1905 when the provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan were in process of formation it was a lively political issue, a strong body of opinion at that time contending that the North West Territories could best be administered as a single province. Since that time the proposal has bobbed up periodically, but was usually regarded more as a political than an economic question and discussion was largely academic.

Now, however, with economic distress to give it impetus, it is reasonable to assume that the proposal will not be left to rest until some investigation into its merits has been pursued and some official pronouncement has been made on it. Under the circumstances this is due to the people, as intimated by Premier Bracken.

While the Manitoba premier leans in amalgamation economies in administrative costs and progressive economy as time marches on, the Saskatchewan section of the United Farmers of Canada are not so optimistic in that regard, for, as a brief submitted to the Rowell Commission in Regina they declared that "the immediate saving in expenditure by a reduction in the number of legislative numbers and civil service officials would not be very impressive," but they support the amalgamation proposal and go further than Premier Bracken for they ask that it be put into effect without any suggestion of a preliminary inquiry, "as a means of attaining greater efficiency in government." This efficiency, they suggest, would ensue by having the agricultural policy of the whole area "directed and co-ordinated by one set of officials" and urge that similar increased efficiency would accrue in the administrations of such departments as public health, the treasury, natural resources, highways and telephones.

### Should Be Considered

On the face of it, it would seem likely that amalgamation might result in some immediate savings, even though they might not be impressive, but even if the savings were comparatively small, the indirect savings which naturally accompany increased efficiency make the proposal sufficiently attractive to warrant at least further investigation.

In some quarters suggestions are made that the government of an amalgamated territory comprising the three prairie provinces would increase the prestige of the prairies in the realm of Dominion affairs and would ensure for the West a more potent voice in shaping national policies but this conclusion is open to debate. It can be taken for granted that tariffs, for instance, will continue to be framed largely to suit industry in the East just so long as the East has the dominant voting power in the national legislative assembly.

## An Oriental Idea

Chinese Have Platforms Where People Air Their Grievances

The people of the United States have a lot of things to be grouchy about so far as their national domestic affairs are concerned, and a clergyman has written the President suggesting that he nominate a "grouch day," so that everybody take a day off work, indulge in a good hearty spell of grousing to one another, then having allowed the steam to escape they would all resume work next day feeling much better.

This idea, although meant jokingly, is not so far-fetched. At least something of the kind is practised in China, and there are many things the Chinese did hundreds, even thousands of years ago, which Occidentals took up later. Chinese cities have what are called "Scolding Platforms." These are situated at street corners, and are chiefly intended for the use of women and girls who have been discharged from household employment. If a woman or girl feels aggrieved she mounts this platform and indulges in a loud-mouthed rage against her employer, calling her all the names she can think of, and continuing her rage until she has exhausted all the adjectives at her command, or until she has become so hoarse with shouting that she cannot go on any longer.

There may be several ladies on the platforms at the same time, each and all enjoying their several rages. People going by may stand and listen, but for the most part nobody else takes any notice; it is satisfying to all concerned, there being no sinister actions to follow. It is just an old Chinese custom, and when the ladies have given vent to their hates they go home content.

In Occidental countries men slam doors, kick the cat or write to the newspapers. The space squandered by Washington offer splendid locations for the establishment of permanent platforms for working off a grouch. There are so many people in the United States with grouches, however, that there would be no room for everybody to get on the platforms on one day. Every day would have to be "Grouch Day"—St. Thomas Times-Journal.

## Advocates Fleshless Diet

Members Of Vegetarian Society Believe Meat-Eating Wrong

While festive epics were the annual struggle for white meat, 200 members of the Vegetarian Society of New York are today to prove you can have a good holiday dinner without meat of any kind.

The principle dish at a recent vegetarian feast—"Nutroast"—consisted of succulent chestnuts, baked in a loaf with fresh vegetables, eggs and butter. Other tasty dishes made of fruit or vegetables provided the "trimmings."

Bertram Newman, executive secretary, explained the society was part of a national movement "to promote adoption of a fleshless diet throughout the world." Vegetarians he said, considered it "morally wrong" for a human to kill an animal for eating purposes, a belief which had its roots deep in antiquity and was common to Buddhism and other religions.

A speaker, aged 85, who said he had not touched meat for 50 years, cited Genesis 1:29 to show that man did not eat meat until after Adam's fall from grace. "Daniel was saved from the lions because he was not an eater of flesh," he maintained.

To round out the program an entertainer danced to the music of Tchaikovsky's Nutcracker suite.

## Worth Cultivating

Very Few People Have Gift Of Keen Observation

Brave Mrs. Ellen Hutchinson, of Reading, England, frightened a burglar out of her bedroom by pretending that she had a revolver. The only thing that she could describe about the intruder was his eyes.

That is perfectly understandable in the circumstances, but have you ever thought, how meagrely one is able to describe people, their distinctions of dress and appearance?

You disagree? Try to produce a mental picture of your opposite in train or bus this morning. Keen observation is so rare that it is worth cultivating.—London Daily Sketch.

## Quit Rents Returned

King George Takes Part In Old Ceremony At Cornwall

The King in the role of a feudal landlord received quit rents from tenants of the Duchy of Cornwall.

The ceremony, complete with mediaeval trappings, trumpet fanfares and cries of "Oyez," took place within the crumbling walls of Launceston Castle which last saw the visit of a reigning monarch nearly three centuries ago.

The King marched through the castle gate behind the red, black and gold standard of Launceston to hear the town clerk summon "All persons that do offer suit and service to His Majesty, lord of the fee of honor of the castle of Launceston."

The mayor was the first to present his quit rent (symbol of a tenant's fealty to his King and of the King's recognition of the tenant's right to his property). The mayor gave 10 shillings in a silver mug and a pound of pepper on a silver tray.

A woman tenant gave a riding cloak and a brace of greyhounds. The King patted the dogs. Accepted them and then gave them back. Each tenant handed his rent to the King on bended knee.

## ALICE STEVENS' RECIPES

REDUCING DIETS NEEDED CAREFUL PLANNING

Consult a doctor if you are very much overweight and do not try any questionable remedies. For the person who has a tendency toward being overweight, a little attention to the diet is advised.

The amount of food eaten should be lessened but the food should be taken so that the body is supplied with sufficient protein, mineral matter and vitamins. At the same time food should be eaten that will keep the person from feeling hungry.

Fewer fat foods should be used. Avoid whipped cream, olive oil, bacon, etc., and use butter very sparingly. Smaller amounts of starches and sugars should be used. The distress of hunger is best avoided by using bulky foods.

Eat fruits, particularly apples. Apples supply the body with vitamins and mineral matter. At the same time they satisfy the hunger without increasing the calorie intake too much. Tomatoes and leafy green vegetables such as spinach, lettuce and cabbage are also recommended.

Meats, rather than cream soups should be used. These are low in food value but are satisfying and easy to eat. Preferable to bread in reducing diet. Brown bread is much better than white bread because the bran supplies the bulk. Exercise as well as diet must be considered. This exercise should be mild and long continued rather than violent. Walking is one of the best forms of exercise for the overweight person.

Salads are low in calorie count. They are particularly recommended for reducing diet. They help appetite and supply mineral matter and vitamins. Avoid oil dressings.

## REDUCING SALAD

Shred cabbage, very fine. Add dressing. Add nuts if liked. Mix all up in small pieces. Mix the apples with the dressing and cabbage as quickly as possible to prevent discoloration. Garnish with grated raw carrot.

Readers are invited to write to Alice Stevens' Home Service for free advice on home cooking and household problems. Address: Letters to Winnipeg Newspaper Union, 176 McDermott Ave. W., Winnipeg, Man.

## Plane Service To Flin Flon

Passenger Service Between Winnipeg And Northern Mines

A weekly plane service will be inaugurated between Winnipeg and Flin Flon with a charter service available for passengers and express between Flin Flon and Goldfields in northern Saskatchewan, according to an announcement by Wings Limited.

A plane will leave Winnipeg every Thursday morning following the arrival of the plane from the south. Flin Flon will be reached at 1 p.m. and chartered planes will leave Flin Flon for Goldfields in time to reach the latter point that same afternoon.

An unbroken chain of airlines is formed by this service, which makes it possible for passengers to leave New York before dinner on Wednesday and be in Flin Flon at 1 p.m. the next day.

Many Alaskan villages have such a scarce of water that pump handles are put up high so that they will be out of the reach of the children.

**LISTEN...**  
on Friday Night  
"CANADA-1937"  
IMPERIAL TOBACCO'S  
SUNDAY EVENING  
EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT  
On a National  
Coast to Coast Network

## Completes Long Trip

Woman Makes 10,000 Mile Journey In Australia On Bicycle

The first woman to cycle round Australia (about 10,000 miles) is Mrs. C. J. McDonald, of Sydney, who, with her husband, on a bicycle, has completed the journey.

Mr. McDonald, who is a very proud husband, says: "Three women have tried to cycle round Australia, but she is the only one to do it." He reveals that his wife weighed only 91 pounds.

"The couple left Sydney in September of last year and pedalled their dreary way through Melbourne, Adelaide, Kalgoorlie, Broome, Darwin, Townsville, Cairns, and Brisbane. The repair bill for the whole trip was one penny—for two spokes bought in Perth.

Near Camooel, in the Queensland bush, Mrs. McDonald was bitten by a venomous snake. Her husband cauterized the wound with a heated broom-pla—the only "surgical" instrument available. Between Port Holland and Broome (Western Australia), they were without food in the bush for two days. After leaving Broome they lost their way, and travelled 75 miles in a circle before regaining the road, ten miles from a point where they have been given wrong directions.

## "Rising Tide"

Fifty Page Magazine Gives Answer To Nation's Problems

From pages of the world press today blaze searing headlines telling of the nations seething with rampant nationalism, hatred, economic disruption, frustration and bitter discontent. Once again the awful flames of war are threatening. Will they envelop the world?

In thousands of homes in rural Canada to-day there is bitter want and distress. Is there an answer to these problems? Is there a solution simple enough that you and I who face these burdens can use it? Will the kind of solution that hits straight to the mark?

Across the world to-day in answer to these burning troubles, there is a rising tide of men and women who are daily demonstrating the answer. In England, France, Germany, Spain, Holland, Denmark, Finland, Sweden, Norway, Canada, the United States and many other countries it is bringing new hope and courage that will one day be written large in the pages of history.

Rising Tide, the new pictorial publication, portraying this answer in graphic photographs, is now on sale. It is not a commercial venture. Not a single advertisement appears in its pages. The editors say they are not out to make dollars, but to make new nations.

Incredible as it seems, this unusual publication is making magazine history. The North American edition will have a first printing of 500,000 copies. In Great Britain publishers cannot supply the demand.

"Rising Tide" was produced entirely by the hands of volunteers who worked without financial backing and without salary. Yet it is printed on the finest quality of paper and photographs which are without rival for vividness in modern photographic art. On facing pages are portrayed the world as it is to-day in all its warts, and the world as it can be—as it is for thousands of people who sound, common sense is a chance.

Opening pages picture the astounding possibilities of the twentieth century wizardry which can fashion or destroy a world. News photos dramatize the nations of the world and life and death in 1937. World leaders comment that where human wisdom has failed God has a plan, and the magazine itself is a striking demonstration of this, since the editors claim that the idea of it and the production were guided by God.

There are pages that show the nation over to strikes and industrial friction. Workers and employers in a remarkable double-page spread, reveal a new destiny for industry in reshaping the foundations of national life under God-control. Other distinctive features include a story of a Canadian farm which is different and a picture diary of a week in the life of a city worker and how the life turned into life and family.

FOR COUGHS  
and BRONCHITIS  
**Mathieu's Syrup**

"The average hereditary monarch of Europe has a life span of 53.6 years."

Washington has more taxicabs on its streets than Chicago and Philadelphia combined. 228



# Defence Plans Of Canada Include Fortification Of The Pacific And Atlantic Coasts

The Canadian government's schemes for the fortification of the Pacific and Atlantic coasts have been revised completely, Defence Minister Ian Mackenzie told the Canadian Military Institute at a banquet in his honor at Toronto.

"In accordance with the announced policy of the government, we are paying particular attention to the defence of our coasts," he said in his prepared speech. "At the present we are concentrating on expenditures on the Pacific coast for strategic reasons which you will all appreciate."

"New armament has been ordered and the construction of new fortifications at Esquimaux, Vancouver and York Island are actually under way. It is hoped that funds may be available to enlarge this program and place orders for further equipment next year."

Mr. Mackenzie said the most important factor in coastal defence was an adequate air force with a threefold obligation to co-operate with the militia in air observation for fixed gun defences, co-operate with the navy for protection of Canada's sea-borne trade, and maintain neutrality and to defend against air attack.

In order to perform these duties reconnaissance aircraft, torpedo bomber aircraft are required and being supplied as "expeditionary as circumstances permit," the minister stated.

"Our defence policy has been most carefully thought out and will be implemented as funds can be provided," he said. "All which we have in mind, cannot be carried out in one year or two or even three. It is no policy of aggression but is one for our national security and for the protection of our neutrality."

"The need for adequate defence has been re-awakened in the minds of our fellow citizens and I feel that they wish us to proceed."

"The peace of the world is precarious. Nations in Asia and Europe are at war and it will take the united efforts of all peace-loving powers to avert a major war—the consequences of which are beyond imagination. During this period of stress and anxiety Great Britain has, as always, shouldered very great responsibilities. . . She should and must be supported in her struggles in this regard."

The minister said the federal government was attempting to replenish our munitions of ammunition and exhaustive survey of manufacturing resources for industrial mobilization, if need be, is being carried out.

Our munitions are being manufactured in Canada and the defence department is negotiating for anti-aircraft guns with ancillary equipment, he stated.

Negotiations also are being pressed for obtaining an adequate supply of Bren guns and the possibility of manufacturing them in Canada is being studied. One hundred and two modern service aircraft are being built, some in Canada.

The militia has been re-organized along modern lines to provide a balanced force of all arms. Mr. Mackenzie said. A defence committee of the cabinet has been set up and an inter-departmental committee on profits control has been named to ensure there will be no profiteering in munition and armament contracts in Canada.

"Production capacity of our Quebec arsenal has recently been increased and a larger amount of small arms ammunition and tracer ammunition is being provided annually. The equipment at the arsenal has been increased for the manufacture of gun ammunition up to 4.5 inches and a gauge plant, long desired, has been installed."

"Arrangements for the manufacture of certain types of shell in civil factories in this country have been completed and the possibility of rapid expansion in the event of any grave emergency."

"Our study of the means of provision, from Canadian sources, of suitable vehicles for military purposes is advancing rapidly. We have had military trucks built to have office specifications with shortened wheelbases, special service bodies

and very large tires. They have passed the necessary tests and we hope to place orders in the very near future for a considerable number. These vehicles take the place of the general service wagon for front line transport."

Mr. Mackenzie said the government was endeavoring to have as much military equipment as possible made in Canada by Canadian labor. "We are encountering difficulties in the carrying out of our policy and in procuring our equipment. In this regard we do not stand alone as Great Britain and all the dominions have the same problem to face. Great Britain is busy with her own rearmament program. . . . Some of our equipment must be bought from the motherland and deliveries are necessarily slow."

Building up of an adequate air force is a slow process as the Canadian aircraft industry is not sufficiently well equipped to permit rapid headway, he said.

He appealed to employers to assist the government program by permitting employees belonging to the militia to attend the short period of annual military training "in security and with their normal pay."

## Impossible To Define

No Dictionary Really Tells Us What Happiness Is

When he started out upon his last voyage, Ramsey MacDonald, ex-premier of Britain, remarked that he was seeking "the most elusive of all forms of happiness—rest. The word 'elusive' implies pursuit, and it is probably true of most forms of happiness that they flee when pursued. Certainly the man who is forced by his health to find what happiness he may in resting from all the activities which have made life worth while is not likely to regard the project with much pleasure."

But what is happiness? One dictionary says it is "the pleasurable experience that springs from the possession of good." Too often, in the minds of men, the word "good" is pluralized, and happiness is sought in the possession of "goods." In fact another dictionary definition of happiness is "good fortune or luck in life or in a particular affair; success, prosperity." That is the first definition in the largest English dictionary in the world, but it is hardly an acceptable definition. A man may be prosperous yet live in misery of soul. Still another dictionary definition is: "the gratification of the desires or relief from pain or evil." That, the season of Christmas, is known as the happiest of the year.

—Toronto Star Weekly.

The fact is, it is impossible to define happiness. There is a happiness of the body known as "comfort," but some of the happiest people have been without this boon. There is a happiness of the mind known as contentment, but for many people happiness seems to lie in a "divine discontent." For some, happiness is identified with their daily work. But perhaps the greatest happiness of all is found in unselfish service—in the bringing of some measure of happiness to others. It is for that reason that the season of Christmas is known as the happiest of the year.

## An All-White Accident

A truck owned by J. Oliver White and driven by Carson White collided with a car owned by John White and driven by his son, William White. The accident occurred in front of the home of Mrs. J. E. White in Wilson, N.C. The officer who investigated was Robert A. White. To make the record complete, the truck was painted white and it was loaded with milk.

"Until quite recently, there was a 'red man's land' in Switzerland. A small triangular acreage was set aside more than 100 years ago as a refuge for wayfarers 'without a country.'"

More than 3,500 theatres in the world now are equipped for sound pictures.

## Depends On Outlook

People Can Overcome Ill-Health To Certain Extent

Are you a person who enjoys poor health? There are many such. At least they seem to take certain satisfaction out of telling their friends and neighbors just how poorly they are. Such an attitude of mind is not likely to help one to be well. People should be well and adopt an outlook on life which refuses to accept poor health as something inevitable or a subject to talk about as if it were an asset.

Telling yourself and others about your physical or mental ailments may appear to enlist a certain amount of sympathy, but that is really poor comfort. It is not likely to produce in you a feeling of well-being.

Don't make the most of your ills. Crowd them out of your brain if you possibly can. The way to harbor ills and make the most of them is to keep on talking about them. If you are determined to be well you must adopt an optimistic cheerful outlook—minimize your troubles, laugh at them, will to be well, and see what a help it can be to you and your happiness.

## A Good Salesman

Put Over Deal Without Mentioning Price Of His Machine

Archie Fisher, formerly publisher of trade papers in Toronto, told me that once in the course of his travels in the United States, he found himself in the office of a large machinery manufacturer, says J. C. K., in Marketing. Entered a salesman for a threading machine. He told his tale and got attention. He said that his machine was guaranteed to do everything which he said it would do; whereupon the buyer said, "It is guaranteed to do all you say it will do, we can't afford to trust your machine. Send us one." Then the salesman said, "But you don't know the price!" "It doesn't matter what the price is," said the buyer. "If it will do all you say it will do, we've just got to have it." Then the salesman said, "The price is \$14,000." I suppose we've got to say that that salesman was a good one, for did he not sell his machine "without mentioning the price?"

## Making It Right

It was the Sabbath, and Donald was hammering away at the bottom of his barrow, when his wife came to the door.

"Mum," she exclaimed, "you're making a muckle clatter. What will the neighbors say?" "Never mind the neighbors," said the busy one. "I mean to get my barrow mended!" The woman thought this over for a minute or two, then: "Oh, but, Donald, it's vera wrong tas work on the Sabbath," she expostulated. "Ye ought to use screws."

A new fruit, a cross between a peach and nectarine, awaits a name at Hawkesburg Agricultural College in Australia.

# Physical Limitations Placed On Large Scale Irrigation Projects In Western Canada

## Land Cultivation

Spring Ploughing Best Method For Yield And Weed Control

In the 1936-37 annual report of the Dominion Minister of Agriculture, the Field Husbandry Division of the Dominion Experimental Farms and Stations contributes interesting information on cultural experiments. In Eastern Canada, states the report, methods of ploughing and land for grain indicate that summer ploughing of sod, with subsequent top-working, is the most suitable treatment, especially on weedy land. Only a limited amount of spring cultivation has been found necessary in preparing a seed bed for grain.

In Western Canada, the best method of summer-fallowing is the cheapest method that will provide for moisture conservation, weed control, and the prevention of soil drifting. In dry regions, three surface cultivations are often all that are necessary: first, with the cultivator or one-way disk; second, with the rod weeder, and finally with the cultivator. In more humid regions, five or six cultivations may be required, particularly where perennial weeds are present. Sometimes ploughing may prove more satisfactory than surface cultivation.

Methods of preparing stubble land for grain are influenced by the necessity for rapid seeding, small reserves of soil moisture, and usually weed contamination. In dry regions, spring ploughing is the best method for yield and weed control, but is subject to soil drifting, and may result in delayed seeding. On large acreages, spring disking or cultivating separately or in combination with seeding is the most satisfactory method. In the more humid regions, it is possible to fall-plough stubble land.

## Holiday For Horses

Princess Elizabeth Thinks They Should Have Summers Off

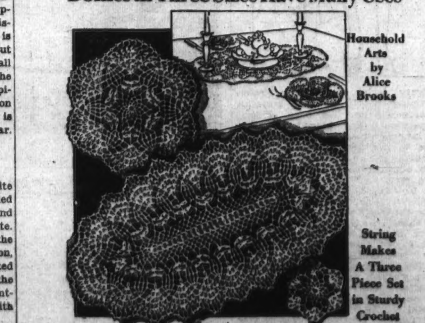
"If I am ever queen the first thing I will do will be to make a law that people can't ride or drive horses on Sunday. Horses must have holidays."

Princess Elizabeth made that pronouncement when, while learning the tables of British kings and queens, she was told that one day she probably would be monarch of the empire.

Such is the story that has delighted London. And certainly there is truth in it—that the 11-year-old Elizabeth in all probability will become queen, that she is well aware of that fact, and that already she is being trained for the throne.

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There is no Alice Brooks pattern book published.

Both physically and economically there were severe limits to the development of large scale irrigation in Western Canada. John Vallance, senior officer of the Prairie Farm Rehabilitation Act, emphasized in an address to a service club at Saskatoon.

Mr. Vallance based his remarks on surveys made under the P.F.R.A. in a great triangle area running roughly from Virden, Manitoba, to Lloydminster, then to Calgary and south of the international border. "When anyone tells you of the possibilities of solving our great problem by large scale irrigation, remember that it is physically and utterly impossible," Mr. Vallance said.

For big irrigation projects, land, water and money were the three essentials. "We have the land without a doubt, but we haven't got the water," the speaker declared. There were only eleven million acre feet of water available in the three prairie provinces. For effective irrigation land needed 18 inches of water. Under the most favorable conditions about nine million acre feet of water in all that could possibly be irrigated at both Saskatchewan and Alberta.

Problems to the three provinces were different. In Manitoba it was entirely a matter of small dugouts. In Saskatchewan development could include small dams as well as dugouts, while in Alberta it was possible to have actual irrigation over considerable areas.

"You never see a dam that has anything to do with the control of waters in Alberta, diversion canals are all that is needed," Mr. Vallance explained. In Saskatchewan the water level was on an average of 200 to 300 feet below the land level. In turn, there was irrigation in this province it would be necessary to construct huge dams and to pump the water. Such procedure had been found uneconomical.

For instance, irrigation was feasible from an engineering standpoint in a large area west of Saskatoon but the cost would amount to \$78 per acre whereas previous experience indicated that a charge of \$230 per acre for irrigation was all the land could bear.

Mr. Vallance sketched the origin of the P.F.R.A., pointing out the act had received the support of all western members regardless of political affiliations. Everything possible was being done to encourage and extend economically and physically feasible projects.

Large areas of marginal and sub-marginal land were being brought into grazing pastures. Work of fencing was progressing and in Saskatchewan six pastures had been completely varying in size from 6,400 to 40,000 acres.

The area was one of thousands of opportunities throughout the province for irrigation of plots of from one to four acres. More than 11,000 applications for assistance in such projects had already been received.

Mr. Vallance was of the opinion it would be uneconomical to move the people from prairie provinces and that great wealth would again come from the grain fields of the west and that the P.F.R.A. work would add greatly to the stability of agricultural conditions in the west.

## Could Not Be Stolen

The insurance agent was trying to induce the boss to insure all his office furniture and fittings against burglary.

"I'll insure everything except the clock," he told the agent.

"Isn't it worth insuring?" the agent asked.

"It's worth it all right," the boss told him. "In fact, it's the best bit of furniture in the office."

"Then why not insure it?" asked the agent.

"It would be a waste of money," the boss replied. "It would be impossible for anyone to steal it. The staff never take their eyes off it."

The piano was not a concert instrument until after 1825. At that time an invention perfected the full iron frame piano, permitting longer strings with greater tension, thus overcoming the lack of volume.





## JAP ATTACKS ON BRITISH SHIPPING MUST NOW CEASE

London.—Great Britain has demanded of Japan information "that measures have actually been taken" to "put a definite stop" to incidents that endanger British lives and property in China.

The government released the text of a note from Foreign Secretary Eden to the Japanese foreign minister, Koki Hirota, which reviewed the long series of attacks on British and declared "it is clear that steps hitherto taken by the Japanese government to prevent such attacks have so far failed in that purpose."

Issuing of the text followed a warning by Mr. Eden in the House of Commons that failure to stop attacks on British shipping would strain the relations of the two countries.

At a long cabinet meeting it was understood the entire Far Eastern situation was reviewed. It was understood the cabinet considered the strength of the royal navy in Chinese waters and decided the position there must remain under constant observation.

Financial circles were represented as disturbed by the prospect of Japanese military operations around Canton and other Chinese territory neighboring Hong Kong.

The note to Tokyo said attacks by Japanese aircraft and land forces on British merchant shipping at Wuhu and near Nanking on Dec. 12 "clearly raise grave issues."

"At Wuhu a British tug which had conveyed from Nanking His Majesty's consul, the British military attaché and flag captain to the British rear admiral (the Yangtze command), was attacked by Japanese machine-gun fire after transferring these officers to H.M.S. Ladybird."

The Ladybird herself, the British merchant ship Suivo and H.M.S. Bee all were fired upon. The note said there were "four direct hits" on the Ladybird with one naval rating, T. N. Lonergan, killed, another rating seriously wounded and three minor casualties, including the flag captain.

"The commander of H.M.S. Bee landed to protest and was informed by Colonel Hashimoto, senior Japanese military officer then at Wuhu, that the firing on the warships was due to a mistake, but that he had orders to fire on every ship on the river," the note continued.

"At a later interview the same officer stated categorically that if any ships moved on the river they would be fired on. The note said, H.M.S. Bee and Ladybird, after berthing, remained covered by guns at point blank range."

"Near Hsia-Sanahan, above Nanking, where British merchant ships were concentrating in a part of the river previously designated by the Japanese commander-in-chief as a safety zone, three separate bombing attacks were made by Japanese aircraft on them and H.M.S. Cricket and Scarab, which were with them."

## Toys Not Amusing

Fun Has Even Been Taken Out Of Building Blocks

New York.—Ghost of Christmas Past sighed his way through New York's various toylands and yearned for the time when toy-makers filled fun with "foolishment."

Even building blocks have become serious.

So building blocks for 1938 construction won't come tumbling down when they reach skyscraper proportions, they will come with grooves so as to stay in place.

The present United States Christmas pack is valued at \$225,000,000, a seven-year peak for the American toy industry.

## Power Export Question

Toronto.—Premier Mitchell Hepburn, of Ontario, announced that unless the federal government agrees to permit the Ontario Hydro-Electric Power Commission to export surplus power to the United States, the Ontario government, with support of Quebec, will challenge the validity of federal legislation imposing the prohibition on export.

## Fear Seed Shortage

Supplies For Spring Sowing Said To Be None Too Plentiful

Ottawa.—Supplies of seed for spring sowing on Canadian farms are none too plentiful, according to information reaching the department of agriculture.

In most parts of the country there is sufficient seed grain to meet requirements providing it is not sold and shipped out between now and seeding. There is, however, a definite shortage of alfalfa and red clover seed and supplies of other clover and grass seeds are none too plentiful.

In the drought areas of Saskatchewan and Alberta, 6,000,000 bushels of wheat, 4,300,000 bushels of oats and 1,100,000 bushels of barley will be required for seed.

Fair crops were harvested in areas of Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba, and the best of this surplus, if obtained without delay, would be sufficient to meet the seed shortage.

## Britain Not Facing Slump

Prime Minister States Any Such Talk Is Dangerous

London.—Prime Minister Chamberlain denied in the House of Commons that Great Britain was about to suffer an economic slump.

A labor question on the government's policy to "meet the serious unemployment problem that threatens the country in view of the oncoming slump," drew Mr. Chamberlain's fire.

"I don't accept the implication of the question. I consider any talk of an oncoming slump not only exaggerated but dangerous," the prime minister declared. "This country is in a far better position to meet any temporary decline in trade than at any time since the Great War."

An increase of 108,954 persons on the nation's unemployment rolls between October and November prompted the query.

## Japan Is Censored

Edmonton.—Representatives of 11 organizations at a meeting passed a resolution censoring the "unprincipled and unprovoked invasion of China by Japan." Service clubs, the League for Peace and Democracy, the Ministerial Association and Chinese organizations were represented.

## Air School Established

London.—Imperial Airways announced that it had established an "Atlantic school" at Croydon for future pilots who will operate mail and passenger liners between the United Kingdom and North America.

## NEW AMBASSADOR



The resignation of William E. Dodd from his post as ambassador to Germany, expected in January, will result in the appointment of Hugh Wilson, above, former minister to Switzerland, as Nazi envoy, according to reports from Washington.

## Relief Costs High

Direct Relief For Food And Fodder Now Being Estimated

Ottawa.—Agriculture Minister Gardiner said preliminary estimates placed this year's cost of direct relief, food and fodder to Saskatchewan and Alberta at about \$18,000,000 compared with an actual expenditure in 1936 of approximately \$9,500,000.

The minister cautioned, however, that estimate of the 1937 figure might be high or low. He pointed to last year's preliminary estimate of \$12,000,000 to care for relief needs of the two mid-west provinces, an estimate which was about \$2,500,000 higher than the actual expenditure.

## Rural Rehabilitation

Winnipeg.—J. S. Wood, president of the United Farmers of Manitoba, urged before Manitoba legislature's select committee on agriculture and immigration that a land court be set up immediately to work out satisfactory conditions of rural rehabilitation and land tenure. Such a land court would have wide administrative powers.

## Farm Mortgages

Would Have Federal Government Establish Credit Corporation

Regina.—Establishment by the Dominion government of a credit corporation to take over all farm mortgages and give to the loan companies debentures on a three per cent. basis in return for their agreement to accept a reasonable settlement of the farm debts, was proposed in the brief of the Saskatchewan board of trade before the Rowell commission.

The Saskatchewan board of trade brief was presented by F. R. MacMillan, president, and a brief on behalf of the Regina board of trade was submitted by L. A. Thornton, president.

The briefs of the two boards of trade were in agreement on many points, both supporting the contention of the Saskatchewan brief that the income tax and succession duties should be administered entirely by the Dominion.

Both board of trade briefs also protested the burden of taxation which laid in cities was required to bear and suggested that these could be lightened if the municipalities were not asked to extend certain services they were not present providing.

"What taxes would you substitute for taxes on real estate?" Dr. H. F. Angus, member of the commission, asked during the presentation of the Saskatchewan board of trade brief by Mr. MacMillan.

The answer was given by Andrew Leslie, city commissioner of Saskatoon, who said: "We are not here to suggest that further taxes be imposed but that some of the burden be transferred to other shoulders."

Mr. Leslie specified the Dominion government.

"What taxes are you thinking of their increasing?" Mr. Angus asked.

"The income tax is one I have in mind," Mr. Leslie replied.

The board of trade briefs both gave the opinion that either the tariff on manufactured goods should be substantially reduced or that some compensating benefit should be granted the agricultural producers of the west to compensate for the special benefit conferred by the tariff on the industries of the east.

In connection with its proposal for the adjournment of farm debts, the Saskatchewan board of trade contended that, since interest rates and their control were a function of federal government under the British North America Act, immediate steps should be taken to deal with the problem.

London has appointed a man solely to protect its water system from air raids.

## SAYS RAILWAY SITUATION IS FAR FROM HOPELESS

Boston.—To meet the Canadian National Railways deficit this year, "a little less than \$40,000,000" will be required from the federal treasury, Transport Minister C. D. Howe told an audience here. Gross earnings will exceed \$200,000,000, the minister said, the best showing of the railway in several years.

(The C.N.R. deficit last year, as stated in the budget of Finance Minister Dunning, was \$43,000,000. In the estimates for 1937-38, the current fiscal year, \$35,000,000 was appropriated for the railway deficit which, apparently, will be somewhat short of meeting it.)

Addressing the Boston Canadian club at the annual ladies' night dinner, Mr. Howe gave a picture of Canada's publicly owned utilities under his direction as transport minister. It was a homecoming for Mr. Howe who was born in Waltham, grew up and obtained his education here, and still retains a residence in Massachusetts.

While serious, Canada's railway problem was "far from hopeless," Mr. Howe said. Canada's National system alone had 24,000 miles of railways, which, considered on the basis of population, was twice that of the United States and four times that of any other country. Yet freight rates were the lowest in the world per ton mile "and must remain so in the national interest."

"Hope for the future lies in productivity," the minister said, "and in the continued development of our mining, lumbering and manufacturing."

"Through the depression years it has been necessary to suspend immigration, but it is hoped that return to more normal times will permit resumption of selective immigration."

By July 1, next, Canada's new trans-Canada air service would be in operation, the minister said. (It was presumed he referred to the Montreal-Vancouver section.)

This main-line service route would have connections with the United States' routes from Boston to Montreal, New York to Montreal, Minneapolis to Winnipeg, Great Falls, Montana, to Lethbridge, and Vancouver to Seattle.

Air services now reaching northern districts which include three-quarters of the Dominion with no other form of modern transportation, linked with the trans-Canada system would bring "a network of air lines that will provide rapid transportation to any part of the Dominion."

During the past year, Mr. Howe said, Canadian air services handled 15,000 tons of freight, more than was carried in the United States, the British Isles and France combined. In addition they carried 250,000 passengers and considerable mail.

## Want Referendum

People Of United States Want Voice On War Matters

Washington.—The United States house of representatives at the insistence of advocates of peace, decided upon early consideration of a constitutional amendment requiring the government to obtain approval of the people in a referendum before declaring war.

Signatures of 10 members completed the necessary 218 required to take the proposal away from the house rules and judiciary committees. The latter has been considering it intermittently for more than a year.

## Avalanche Buries Skiers

Rome.—An Alpine avalanche in Forder pass buried 30 skiers under tons of snow. All were students. A rescue squad of Alpine troops and civilians saved 12 of the skiers. Nine dead were extricated from the snow. The remaining nine persons were not accounted for.

## Women Elected In Russia

Moscow.—Latest returns on Sunday's elections for a supreme Soviet showed 805 Communist candidates and 288 non-party representatives will sit in the new legislative body. There are 184 women among the 1,143 members elected.

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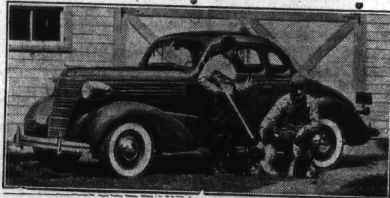
"Ninety per cent of the taxpayers believe this statement is true," commented a prominent journalist.

Most unfortunately, the journalist is right. My own experience, however, teaches me that this belief is entirely erroneous and unfounded, and can only be described as a most sad and pathetic delusion, which, as long as it is held, definitely hinders the advancement of agriculture.

For years I have been intimately familiar with the services provided to farmers by Dominion and provincial governments, by universities and schools of agriculture, and I do not hesitate to assert that there is no unnecessary overlapping or duplication, but that on the contrary there is a decided need for much more educational and research work to be done by all these good organisations.

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CHAPTER IV.—Continued

"Very well, m'lud," said Crump, resignedly, "but permit me to go on record as saying that if a man like that who rides a horse like that to a castle like this, is a millionaire, I, your grace, am the queen of the gypsies."

"I see your point," said the Earl. "You're right often than I am, Crump, and a far, far shrewder judge of people. Perhaps he has come here to try to sell that horse or something. But wait a bit! I have it. He's eccentric."

"Eccentric, m'lud?"

"That's the answer. Of course it is," declared the Earl. "All Americans are a bit touched in the temple, especially millionaires. They do as they please, and almonds to you, as the chap on the cinema said. Why, the papers are always speaking of 'eccentric American millionaires.' I've always wanted to see one, and now one bobs up right on my doorstep. What lariks!"

Crump did not look as if he considered this lariks.

"Now, Crump," said his lordship, "I want you to be your very nicest to this gentleman. If his behavior strikes you as being a bit loopy, take no notice of it. Humor him, Crump. It will help the family greatly if you will do this."

"It shall be done, m'lud," pledged Crump.

"One can always count on you, Crump."

"Thank you, m'lud."

"And now unveil him with all possible ceremony."

"Very good, m'lud."

When Crump had made his exit, the Earl of Bingley jumped to the place before the fire and struck the supposed pose of a celluloid aristocrat. Lady Rosa smoothed her hair and donned her most engaging smile. Captain Duff-Hooper stood up, stiff and expressionless as a totem pole.

"We must make him feel at home," said the earl, in a whisper. "I intend to talk to him in his own language. I speak American rather well. I picked it up on the cinema, Sessash."

Crump flung wide the great oaken door of the library and trumpeted majestically.

"Mr. Ernest Bingley!"

CHAPTER IV.

It was a surprise, indeed, indeed Ernest Bingley who was ushered in to the library of the castle. It had been part of his dream, but hardly his hope that he might actually hold converse with members of the fam-

ily. He had not intended even to hint that his corpulence emanated from the same source as theirs; for he had no wish to taste the tepid welcome which is the portion of the poor rascal. He had permitted himself the wish that he might see Lady Rosa gallop by on a palfrey. Of her existence he knew, for he had consulted Burke's Peerage. From it he had learned that she was 22 and that she was fond of hunting and motor-ing.

He was totally unprepared to be brought face to face, abruptly, with the Earl of Bingley and his daughter. He had followed the butler thinking that he was merely being shown the castle, and then, bang! he was in the library, crumpling his hat in his hands and looking about wildly, like a faun at bay.

"How do you do, Mr. Bingley?" said the Earl.

He held out his hand to Ernest. Ernest gave a convulsive start, lurched forward to take the hand, tripped on a rug, and dived headfirst against the rear abdomen of Captain Duff-Hooper who collapsed with an "Ooooooohoo."

The earl helped Ernest to his feet. "I think I tripped," said Ernest and felt like a 24 carat fool.

"That's I always trip over that infernal rug," said the Earl. "Been doing it for years. Can't think why we don't take steps about it. This is my daughter, Lady Rosa Bingley."

"How do you do?" she said, and regarded Ernest curiously.

"Captain Duff-Hooper," introduced the earl.

The captain gave Ernest a hand like an icicle on a ramrod.

"That awkward little pause which always follows introductions, followed this one."

The earl, feeling he must say something, did so.

"By the way," he said, "my name is Bingley."

"So is mine," said Ernest. He had only an uncertain remote control of his tongue.

"Uncanny," what! remarked the earl. "Connection of ours, perhaps?"

"I believe so, sir," said Ernest. "But a very distant one."

"Come, come," said the earl, "you could be ashamed of it. You are We British Bingleys aren't such a bad lot, barring a pirate or two and a few loonies. But well climb the family tree at lunch, what?"

To Ernest's unbelieving ears this sounded like an invitation and yet could it be? He had pictured the earl as aloof, austere, glacial, and not at all given to issuing casual invitations to lunch to astronomically distant cousins from America who chance to drop in to inspect the castle and pay their skilling. Ernest's grip on the coin in his pocket tightened. He wondered if he should produce it and hand it to the earl, or discreetly leave it on a table on the way out.

"Have you been long in England, Mr. Bingley?" he heard Lady Rosa say.

"Not very."

"Do you like it?"

"Very much."

"By the way," said the earl, "we dip into the dumpings at one-thirty. In the meantime you might like to take a preliminary canter about the castle, what?"

"I'd love to, sir," said Ernest.

"My daughter will show you round on a personally conducted general tour. You can explore the nooks and crannies later."

"Thank you, sir."

Ernest knew now that his ears had been true to him. He was invited to lunch.

"You are things in America?" queried the earl.

"So-so," was the only answer Ernest could think of.

"Same over here," said the earl. "Only more so. I've always wanted to go out to the States. Must be jolly thrilling. Do you know many squawmen?"

"No, sir. Not one."

"No!" said the earl, surprised.

"I'd an idea the place was crawling with them. Romantic, though, marrying an Indian princess. Pocahontas, Minnehaha, and what's her name. Why, when I was at Rugby, a pal of mine and I ran away to go out to your country and be squawmen. His name was Pugger Iverson. But they caught us at Plymouth and did we get a caning? I'll tell the cook-eyed world! Poor Pugger! He's in the cabinet now but I'll bet he wishes he was a squawman. Do you know Greta Garbo?"

"No, sir."

"I saw her once," said the earl. "In person, I mean to say. Why, I was so close to her at the Ritz one day I could have reached out and touched her for cost. I give you my word I could have, didn't though. Wish I had now. One does not get chances like that often, does one?"

"No, sir."

"You must see my collection of pictures of cinema stars," said the earl. "That is, if you are interested."

"I'd like very much to see it, sir."

"Some of them are autographed," said the earl, proudly.

"If Mr. Bingley is to go round the castle before lunch, we'd better start," put in Lady Rosa.

"Now isn't she the practical one?" said the earl, admiringly. "Got it from her mother, I suppose. She was as practical as an alarm-clock."

When once in an unguarded moment I signed up to go exploring with some fellows in Tibet. We were to look for snow-monkeys, or was it yaks? Anyhow, I did not want to go. Couldn't afford it, really. But did she set me out of it? Like no body's business. Another time she—

"Father, I'm afraid we really must tear ourselves away," Lady Rosa said.

"Right you are," said the earl.

"Will I come with me?" said Lady Rosa.

"Will I? I mean I will," said Ernest, and followed her out of the library.

"I'll be seeing you," the earl called after them.

Ernest walked with Lady Rosa down a broad corridor, lined with portraits of Bingleys in wigs.

"It's very kind of you to take all this trouble," Ernest said.

"I enjoy it," said Lady Rosa. "I love this place so much that it is always a pleasure to show some one around it."

"It's even more marvelous than I imagined it," said Ernest.

"I'm so glad you like it," she said. "Shall we go into the Great Hall first?"

"Wherever you say, your ladyship."

He held open for her a door through which a giant and his wife, arm-in-arm, might have entered.

"Thank you, Cousin Ernest," she said.

It may have been the words, or the high polish on the floor, but whatever it was, Ernest skidded and would have done a complete nose-dive if Lady Rosa had not caught him in her arms.

"I'm so sorry," he said, as he righted himself.

"It's far too slippery," she said.

"No, I guess it's just that I'm not used to carpets," said Ernest.

"Or beer puddles."

He stared at her. He saw a smile on her face and he knew that the hair he would have called curdery in the Happy Gander looked golden-brown in the sunlight which streamed through the millioned windows of the Great Hall.

"Were you—I mean—were you—stammered."

"I am, at least I was, that dirty girl," she said. "I'd been overhauling the family car. Taking things apart and putting them together again is rather a passion of mine, you see. Besides, it saves garage bills."

(To Be Continued)

### Rearmament Necessary

Great Britain Had To Be Prepared  
For Emergency

The only thing that gives us hope of being able to deal with Europe in the coming years is to be thoroughly and completely armed, said Prof. S. Brodetsky, of Leeds University. I am sorry to have to say it. We all regret that it is necessary to direct the attention of our young people towards the idea of preparing for war, but I believe we have been shortighted in giving the impression to certain powers that they can do what they like in the world by threatening more, because we and others would not be prepared to take up the challenge. By maintaining peace with Japan we precipitated the Italian crisis. By dropping sanctions with Italy we precipitated the Japanese crisis again. It is a pity that human beings with brains should have to deal with that kind of mentality, but I believe the world will be in a more dangerous condition in 1938 if we do not in 1937 show some firmness.

## Confident Of Canada's Capacity For Recovery

Bank of Montreal Heads Review Economic Achievements and  
Outlook of Dominion

Declaring that Canada had been demonstrating in the past year a remarkable resiliency in productive enterprises, Sir Charles Gordon, in his presidential address to shareholders at the recent annual meeting of the Bank of Montreal, expressed confident belief in Canada's ability to carry on with success the recovery that had been in progress for the last twelve months. The meeting also received the financial report of the bank, presented by Jackson Dodds on behalf of himself and his fellow general manager, G. W. Spinney. The statement showed substantial increases in commercial loans, in deposits, and in total assets, which latter stood at \$239,600,000, the highest figure since 1929.

In viewing business conditions over the wide territory in which the bank operates, Sir Charles said that these had much improved and were a happy contrast with the conditions of but two years ago. The one really serious handicap was in those portions of the Prairie Provinces where drought caused total or partial loss of the crop.

As instances of the remarkable resiliency in productive enterprises which he felt Canada was showing, he referred to the immense growth of gold production and of the output of industrial metals, remarking that, with the exception of iron, Canada was now the world's largest exporter of base metals.

### Canada's Manufactures Worth Three Billions

He further pointed out that whereas Canada was until quite recently regarded as a country devoted almost entirely to agriculture, today agriculture provides 35% of the exports and other forms of industry the balance. Canada now employs 600,000 people in 30,000 workshops, mills and factories, and the annual value of its

manufactured products amounts to more than \$3,000,000,000.

In concluding his remarks, Sir Charles, while not attempting a forecast on the Canadian business outlook, expressed his confidence in Canada's "remarkable capacity for recovery," which, not unduly affected by international disturbances, would, he felt, mean a continuance of the better times which Canadians had experienced during the past year.

### Commercial Loans Show Increase

One of the most important features of the financial statement presented by Mr. Dodds was the increase shown in current loans in Canada of more than \$23,000,000 to \$182,500,000. For the year ended September 30, the current loans of all the banks had increased by \$75,000,000. While the increase was welcome, he said it was not commensurate with the growth in the volume of business and the improvement in commodity prices.

### Bank's Assets 79.58% Liquid

The assets of the bank, standing at \$239,600,000, were the highest since 1929. Of this amount \$209,000,000 represented quickly available resources, equal to 79.58% of liabilities to the public, amounting to \$270,736,000.

Among other highlights, the statement presented by the general manager showed that deposits by the public had increased by \$28,000,000 to \$161,000,000. Commenting on this item, Mr. Dodds said: "Despite all that is written and said nowadays on the subject of loans creating deposits, 'fountain pen money' and 'nonexisting' assets, including what is described as 'cultural heritage,' it is safe to say that not one of our customers, whose balances make up our total of deposits by the public, has any doubt whatsoever as to how his or her deposit came into being."

### Every Part Is Useful

Cocoa-Nut Palm Considered One Of  
World's Wonders

The cocoa-nut palm is one of the wonders of the world because every part of it is said to be useful to man, either to clothe, feed or shelter him. The nut furnishes milk, the young green leaves are eaten like cabbage. A wine is made from liquid produced by the flowers. The sap supplies sugar. Vessels and utensils are made out of the nut-shells. The leaves are used for making dwellings. The leaves dried and plaited form the roof or they may be made into umbrellas. Cloth and mats are woven out of the fibres of the leaves, and the leaves sewn together make sails for ships. The fibre also makes string and cordage. The oil pressed from the fresh kernel is used for the seasoning of food and illumination.

Gas-proof rooms are being installed at colleges in England.

### A Matter Of Courtesy

What A Difference It Makes To  
Always Be Polite

What a difference it would make if all corporations acted on a policy of courtesy. What a difference if the honest businessman of the nation paid as much attention to courtesy as the byzantine crooks, fly-by-night promoters, and scoundrels who have only one stock in trade—a courteous address and manner. What a difference if business became polite and stayed polite, not only to the public but to itself. In short, what a difference if we all took the cut out of courtesy.—Kansas City Star.

### Still On Walking Tour

The loss of a leg and arm in the Great War has not prevented Jean de Vaudreuil from seeing the world. The Belgian, aged 70, reached Saint John in the course of a walking tour started at Brussels in 1920. He has visited every country except Mexico, his next destination.



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## UFA Forces Strengthened.

The United Farmers of Alberta forces are being strengthened all over the province. Norman Priestley, the vice-president, claims that the paid-up membership in the party has increased by at least 300 during the past year, and now stands at something over 6100. He stated that the paid up membership total does not in any way indicate the number of votes upon which the party can depend upon for support.

In the 26 years up to last year, he said, the average paid up membership was 14,000, but the UFA popular vote in provincial elections between 1921 and 1930 ranged well over 75,000, with a slump to 33,000 under the Social Credit avallance in 1935.

Most of the Social Credit vote in 1935 came from voters who previously had supported the UFA, and, said Mr Priestley, a large proportion can be expected to return to UFA support when Social Credit is repudiated.

## New Geological Map of Alberta.

A new geological map of Alberta has just been published on a scale of 1 inch to 16 miles. All the surveyed lines including Baselines, are shown.

Topographical and geological data shown on the map have been compiled from maps and reports published by the Topographical Survey and the Geological Survey of Canada, and by the Research Council of Alberta.

The map can be relied upon as a useful guide by anyone interested in the mineral development in Alberta. A pamphlet is being prepared which will describe the geological features which have been included.

The map has been compiled by Dr Allen, Department of Geology, University of Alberta, and is a revision of the geological map which he prepared and which was published by the Research Council in 1925.

This revised edition has been published with the co-operation of the Department of Lands and Mines, Edmonton. Copies of the map may be secured on application to the Department.

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## Stony Plain and District.

Attention is drawn to the notice in another column, from Fraser Carmichael, asking housewives to forward him their receipts from Royal Yeast cake cartons. Fraser is offering the grand prize in the popularity contest—a 4-year University course, all expenses paid.

Large quantities of poultry have been shipped from Stony Plain this season. The Hardwick Departmental Store made a record shipment to the West on Monday.

Pupils of Rosenthal school held their Christmas concert last evening, with Teacher Glen Carmichael in charge. Comet pupils held theirs in the schoolhouse the same night. At Blueberry the pupils of the 2 rooms combine to hold their concert this (Thursday) evening.

Pete Mashtaler, Entwistle, was a Sunday visitor in Stony Plain.

A sale of 30 head of horses at the local livery barn yesterday attracted a deal of attention from farmers, and fair prices were obtained.

A treat is in store for young and old on Sat. Jan. 1st, at Kelly's Hall, when a double feature will be shown. The first film will be James Oliver Curwood's "Caryl of the Mountains" with F X Bushman, Lois Wild and other celebrities. The 2d film will be Tom Tyler in "Fast Bullets." No raise in prices.

X stands for Christmas, which is only 2 shopping days away.

BUTTER AND EGGS WANTED at The Royal Cafe.

## Death of Spruce Grove District Farmer.

The death occurred in Edmonton on Friday last of an old and highly-respected resident of Spruce Grove district in the person of Robert F Beuerlein. Deceased had been ailing for some time, and had been taken to an Edmonton hospital on Thursday, Dec. 16, for treatment.

Deceased was born in Salem, Wellington County, Ontario, in 1860, and came west in the year 1890, settling in the Spruce Grove district. Following the death of his wife on March 28, 1929, he retired from farming.

He was deceased leaves to mourn his loss 4 daughters—Mrs V. Kelly, Stony Plain; Mrs W H Reed, Edmonton; Mrs T Dick Alliance, Miss Barbara Beuerlein, Edmonton. Five sons—C Beuerlein, Uncas; W Beuerlein, Edmonton, J Beuerlein, H Beuerlein and G Beuerlein, all of the Spruce Grove district.

A funeral service was held at St Joseph's Church at Spruce Grove, on Tuesday morning, Rev F Elking the pastor, officiating. Interment was made in the Roman Catholic cemetery, Edmonton.

To those Friends whom We have had the pleasure of serving, We extend Sincerest Greetings, and the Hope that Your Christmas be a Joyful One.

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No. 3	42
No. 4	41

## Time Table for Mails.

Mails to East by Train—6.23 p. m. Sun., Wed., Fri.  
By Bus—11 a. m. Tues., Thur., Saturday.  
Mail from East by train—1.32 p. m. Sun., Tues., Thurs.  
By Bus—4.55 p. m. Monday Wed., Friday.

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